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The reply brief of 03/31/04 has been made of record. However, the examiner respectfully disagrees with applicants' arguments that the Answer fails to answer the arguments made in the Appeal Brief. In this regard, it is noted that the examiner clearly and specifically responded to each and every single argument presented therein and pertinent to the Appeal Brief responding to the arguments made in the Final Rejection and the Advisory Action as well. In that, the examiner invites the applicants' attention to section 11: RESPONSE TO ARGUMENT in the Examiner's Answer (pages 13-20). In addition, applicants' comment is not well taken because it is noted that NEW ISSUES cannot be raised, at first, in the Appeal Brief. Succinctly stated, any NEW ISSUE not directed solely to issues which were newly raised by the examiner in the final rejection would require further consideration and/or search.

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